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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 1999, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add the following new claims:

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--26. In a transaction system of the type in which a user card having a microprocessor communicates with an interface device to perform a transaction, a method for selectively operating said microprocessor in one of a plurality of different protocols for communication between the card and the interface device, comprising the steps of:

placing a user card in an operative relationship with an interface device so as to permit signals to be exchanged between the user card and the interface device;

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